

## STATE OF NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION OF HEALTH CARE FINANCING AND POLICY

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Inter-Tribal Council of Nevada Executive Board President Gerald Temoke, Tribal Chairman Elko Band Council 1745 Silver Eagle Drive Elko, Nevada 89801

Dear Tribal Members:

In accordance with established consultation guidelines, the Division of Health Care Financing and Policy (DHCFP) is notifying Nevada tribes of the following proposed change in policy:

The proposed policy changes to Medicaid Services Manual (MSM), Chapter 400, Mental Health and Alcohol and Substance Abuse Services, is to revise the provider qualifications for the Substance Abuse Agency Model (SAAM) providers. The proposed changes will remove the requirement for SAAM providers to be funded through the Division of Public and Behavioral Health.

There is no anticipated fiscal impact to the tribes as this will be an expansion of provider qualifications.

If you would like a consultation regarding this new policy, please contact Tanya Benitez at (775) 684-3722 who will schedule a meeting. We would appreciate a reply within 30 days from the date of this letter. If we do not hear from you within this time, we will consider this an indication that no consultation is requested.

Sincerely,

Marta Jensen

**Acting Administrator** 

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